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SUBJECT: ARABIC IN U.S. PASSPORTS

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1. OUR FIRST IMPRESSION IS THAT BEIRUT SHOULD BE INCLUDED AMONG POSTS AUTHORIZED PLACE ARABIC TRANSLATION STAMPS IN U.S. PASSPORTS.

2. MANY U.S. BUSINESSMEN AND CORRESPONDENTS WITH REGIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES RESIDE BEIRUT. MANY OF THESE INCLUDE LIBYA IN THEIR ORBITS. SINCE THERE IS DIRECT AIR SERVICE BEIRUT-TRIPOLI, TRAVEL THROUGH ONE OF FOUR AUTHORIZED EUROPEAN POSTS, WITH DELAYS NECESSARY TO OBTAIN TRANSLATION AND LIBYAN VISA, WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY BE VERY INCONVENIENT AND COSTLY TO INDIVIDUALS CONCERNED.

3. BEIRUT WOULD ALSO BE CONVENIENT LOCATION FOR APPLICATIONS BY TRAVELERS FROM AREAS FURTHER TO THE EAST.

4. RECENT NEWSPAPER PUBLICITY REGARDING US DECISION ON ARABIC TRANSLATION RESULTED IN 7 OR 8 INQUIRIES. DURING NEXT FEW WEEKS WE WILL FURTHER EVALUATE NEED

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FOR SERVICE HERE IN BEIRUT THROUGH OUR CONTACTS WITH

AMERICAN BUSINESS AND MEDIA COMMUNITIES. UNTIL WE CAN DETERMINE
EXTENT OF REQUIREMENT SUGGEST DEPARTMENT INCLUDE BEIRUT IN ITS
PRELIMINARY PLANNING FOR INSTALLATION TRANSLATION PROCEDURE.
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